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## STAFF REPORT BOARD MEETING DATE: April 26, 2016

**DATE:** April 11, 2016

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**SUBJECT:** Approve appointment of Lt. Bill Ames to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee effective immediately. (All Commission Districts.)

### SUMMARY

This is a request for the Board of County Commissioners to appoint Lt. Bill Ames, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee. The appointment of Lt. Ames will replace Captain Duane Meyer who was appointed to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee in 2011.

County Priority/Goal supported by this item: Safe, secure and healthy communities.

### PREVIOUS ACTION

Appointment of Captain Duane Meyer to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee in 2011.

### BACKGROUND

The 1995 Nevada Legislature enacted Senate Bill 473 authorizing a telephone line surcharge to be imposed in certain counties for the enhancement of existing 911 telephone services. In November 1995, the County Commission approved an amendment to the Washoe County Code that authorized the establishment of the required Advisory Committee to oversee the plan for 911 system enhancements and to recommend the expenditures of money collected through the surcharge. Membership of the committee consists of two members appointed by Washoe County, two members appointed by the City of Sparks, two members appointed by the City of Reno, and one at-large member appointed by the other board members. Each member must also be a resident of and a qualified elector in Washoe County and possess knowledge concerning telephone systems for reporting emergencies.

In 2011, Captain Duane Meyer was appointed to the Emergency Response Advisory Committee to fill one of the spots designated to Washoe County. Captain Meyer was a Washoe County employee, who has since retired from the Washoe County Sheriff's

Office. The Washoe County Manager's Office now recommends that Lt. Bill Ames replace Captain Meyer on this Committee.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

No fiscal impact.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commission approve the appointment of Lt. Bill Ames to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee effective immediately.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

If the Board of County Commissioners agrees with the staff's recommendation, move to approve the appointment of Lt. Bill Ames to the 911 Emergency Response Advisory Committee effective immediately.